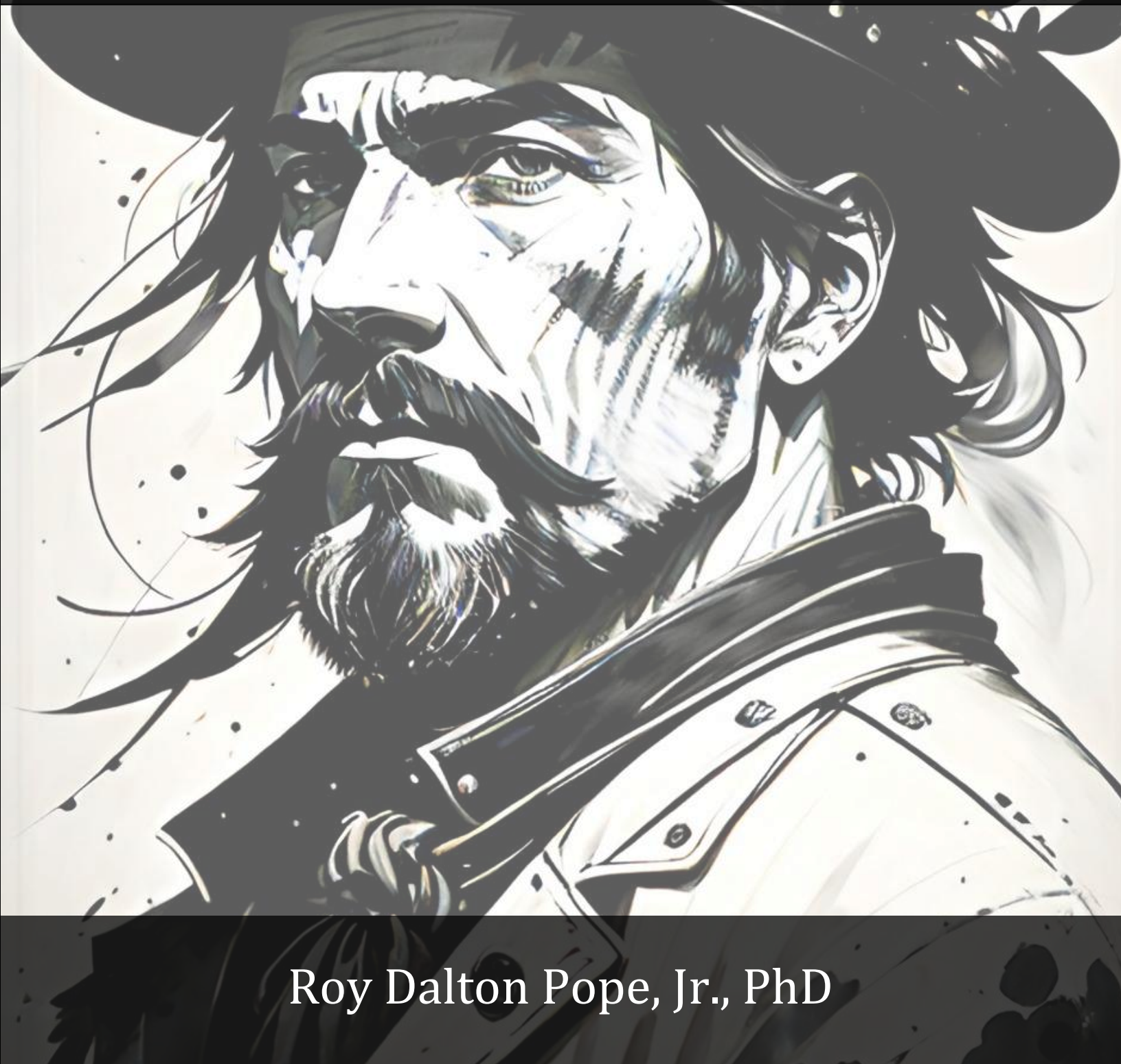


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List of abbreviations, acronyms, and contractions

The following abbreviations, acronyms, and contractions are used throughout this publication.

abt.	about
b.	born
bef.	before
ca.	about
d.	died
dau.	daughter
esq.	esquire
gent.	gentleman
knt.	knight
m.	married

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I want to thank my loving wife, Busaba, for standing by me in my endeavors to discover and document my family's genealogy. For more than twenty years, I have been in pursuit of an accurate story depicting my ancestry. During this time, Busaba has endured many countless hours without my participation in her life. For the times together which we have lost, I am deeply regretful; for the times when I stepped back from this endeavor to share moments with Busaba, I will always be grateful.

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Preface

The subject of this book, Stephen Manwaring, was one of my 7th great-grandfathers. I first learned of my connection to him through a book titled *Thigpen Tribe* (A. W. Smith 1963), and was excited to discover that Stephen and his descendants are of a noble lineage. The precise noble lineage presented for Stephen Manwaring by A. W. Smith, however, has been proven to be inaccurate.

According to *Thigpen Tribe* (30), Stephen Manwaring was the “son of Rev. John Mainwaring, DD, Rector of Stoke-on-Trent [in] 1633.” From there, the author traced his supposed ancestry back through fifteen generations to “Ranulphus, a noble Norman in the train of William the Conqueror.”

Despite citing various sources for other parts of Stephen Manwaring’s genealogy, A. W. Smith did not provide any source to support her claim that Stephen was the son of Rev. John Manwaring. This fact, alone, raised a “red flag” for me. For a genealogist to discover such a noble ancestry for one’s self, one would think that the genealogist would cite at least one credible source to support the findings.

Over the years, I have diligently searched for any records or sources that might confirm the pedigree presented by A. W. Smith. In doing so, I have gathered more than 200 digitized books in which the Manwaring name or its variants appear, as well as over 150 online pages of related information.

After carefully reviewing all of the material which I have amassed, I came to two conclusions: *first*, I concluded that Stephen Manwaring was not the son of Rev. John Manwaring; *second*, though not descended from Rev. John Manwaring, I concluded that Stephen Manwaring did descend from Ranulphus.

Regarding the first conclusion, there is no evidence to suggest that Rev. John Manwaring had any children. At least, none were mentioned in his Last Will and Testament. His estate passed probate in 1692, and his will, which mentions his nephew Edward Mainwaring (1635-1703) and his wife Anne, does not include any reference to children.¹

As for the second conclusion, according to *Mainwarings of Whitmore and Biddulph in the County of Stafford* (Cavenagh-Mainwaring, 54), “Sir William Mainwaring² lord of Over-Peover by gift of his father was ancestor of all the various branches of the family.” This means that, at the very least, Stephen Manwaring descended from Sir William Manwaring who, in turn, descended from Ranulphus.

¹ “Reverend John Mainwaring [bio],” *WikiTree.com*, March 14, 2024, <https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Mainwaring-526> (accessed December 06, 2024).

² son of Roger Manwaring and Christian de Birtles.

Cavenagh-Manwaring (ibid.) continued by writing that, "Altogether this house threw out the extraordinary number of at least 14 distinct branches, besides the 3 bastard branches of Nantwich, Croxton and Great Warford (1650). In nine other counties they occur, viz. Berks., Gloucester, Kent, Devon, Lancaster, London, Salop, Stafford, and Worcester, in some of which families of several generations existed."

Three hundred years had lapsed from the death of Sir William Manwaring to the birth of Stephen Manwaring. Within that span of time, some of the branches of the Manwaring flourished while other branches fell into extinction. The question is, which of these branches was still flourishing by the mid-17th century?

Find branches of the Manwarings that, by mid-17th century, were still producing males to carry on the family name. Next, find which of those branches consisted of males bearing the name of "Stephen." Then, find which of those Stephens were born about the time estimated for the birth of Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish. Finally, work the lead.

I found one such Stephen. I worked the lead. My work is published in the pages which follow.

I sincerely hope that this research will be of value to other genealogists, and descendants of Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish.

Roy D. Pope, Jr.

29 Dec 2024

Introduction

The contents of this book represent years of genealogical research into the 17th century life of Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish. It also offers a more plausible ancestry for him, in place of the disproven ancestry which was published in *Thigpen Tribe* (A. W. Smith 1963).

Every source relied upon in this research has been cited, herein. All sources available in book format have been included in the *Bibliography*. All online sources, accompanied by their URLs, are included in footnotes. Extremely limited use of “*ibid.*” is present in this book, so some sources cited in the footnotes may repeat themselves. Genealogists and other researchers making use of this book are encouraged to double-check all cited information with the sources to ensure accuracy.

Organization

This book is organized into the following chapters—

Chapter I. Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish, Virginia: A brief biographical sketch of the Stephen Manwaring who was present in 17th century Virginia, Maine, and North Carolina, accompanied by a chronologically arranged collection of events in which Stephen Manwaring participated in, or was mentioned in, during his lifetime and immediately after his death.

Chapter II. Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, Cheshire: A step-by-step approach used to identify the family members and immediate ancestry of the Stephen Manwaring who was christened on 07 Jan 1637/38, in Middlewich.

Chapter III. Manwarings of Croxton and Middlewich, Cheshire: A descendant report of the Manwarings of Croxton and Middlewich, consolidating the limited data available in published sources and including vitals data from historic records.

Chapter IV. Proposals for the ancestry for Stephen Manwaring: Proposes the theory that Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne, and Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, were the same person, and argues for placement of their combined tree as descendants of the progenitor of the Manwarings of Middlewich.

Chapter V. Summary and Conclusion: Briefly recaps each chapter, and offers a conclusion to the research presented.

Appendix A. Given names with variant spellings: A list of given names used within this publication for which variant spellings occurred within sources, with each given name followed by a list of the variant spellings encountered.

Appendix B. Family names with variant spellings: A list of family names used within this publication for which variant spellings occurred within sources, with each family name followed by a list of the variant spellings encountered.

Appendix C. Place names with variant spellings: A list of place names used within this publication for which variant spellings occurred within sources, with each place name followed by a list of the variant spellings encountered.

Standardization of names

Genealogists worth their salt understand that a single name, whether it is a given, family, or place name, has the potential to appear in records and published works with a variety of spellings. In regards to the Manwaring surname, for example, *Patronymica Britannica: A Dictionary of the Family Names of the United Kingdom* (Lower 1860, 213) states, “In a MS. volume drawn up by Sir William Dugdale, and preserved at Over Peover, it is stated, that the name of this celebrated family has been spelt in the astonishing number of *one hundred and thirty-one* forms, in old records and more modern writings.”

Except when appearing within direct quotes, where variant spellings of names are given “as written,” names contained within this research have been standardized. That is to say, where multiple spellings for a single name have been found, only a single spelling for that name is used throughout this research. For a list of variant spellings of names encountered in the course of this research, please refer to the relevant Appendix at the back of this book.

Places of events

Many of the events noted in chapters II & III of this publication were obtained from record abstracts for the “Parish Registers, 1538-2000” and “Bishop’s Transcripts, 1598-1900” in the online databases at *FamilySearch*. As the title implies, the events recorded in the latter of these two resources were transcribed, or hand-copied by the bishop, from the first mentioned resource.

The online abstracts of the Parish Registers almost always indicate that the recorded events occurred within the parish of Middlewich. However, the online abstracts of the Bishop’s Transcripts almost always indicate that the recorded events corresponding to those from the Parish Registers occurred within the parish of Macclesfield. This discrepancy is most probably an input error on the part of the persons abstracting the records into the databases, assuming that because the Bishop’s Transcripts were located in Macclesfield then the transcribed events must have occurred there.

The mention of events within this research places weight of Middlewich over Macclesfield when such conflicts between corresponding records are found within the

Parish Registers and Bishop's Transcripts. That is to say, if the Parish Registers recorded that an individual was born in Middlewich and the Bishop's Transcripts indicate that the same individual was born in Macclesfield, this research presumes Middlewich to be the correct place of birth. However, when only a single record of the event could be located and it indicates that the event occurred within Macclesfield, then that place name is used within this research with the understanding that there is an extremely high probability that the event may have actually occurred within Middlewich.

Chapter I. Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish, Virginia

Stephen Manwaring, an English-born carpenter, made a name for himself in 17th century Virginia and North Carolina. Though his exact contributions to building are unknown, he was likely involved in the construction of simple frame houses and structures typical of the time in the Albemarle region of North Carolina. However, what distinguishes him from other craftsmen of his era is not just his trade, but his fiery and contentious nature, which ensured his name appeared often in court records. He was involved in a series of legal disputes—ranging from allegations of mistreatment of servants to insurrection—making his life story one of conflict and controversy.

Born around 1640, in England, Manwaring was well established by his early 30s. He had emigrated to Virginia, married, and fathered at least two children. By 1673, he had settled in the Northern Neck region, where he became one of many settlers in the Chesapeake area. His name appears as a headright in the footer of a 1672 land patent for Chincoteague Island in Northumberland County, which was granted to Capt. William Whittington.

In 1673, Manwaring was clearly a man of means, as he employed at least four indentured servants on his plantation. Yet, his dealings with these servants were far from straightforward. Three of them charged that Manwaring had failed to honor their freedom dues and release them from their indentures. They further accused him and his wife of murder, claiming they had killed a servant woman by bashing her head with a hoe or axe. Manwaring denied the charges, and the court accepted his version of events, ruling that the woman had died of disease.

The following years saw Manwaring entangled in even greater trouble. In 1676, he took part as an officer in Bacon's Rebellion, a widespread insurrection against the colonial government. The rebellion was eventually suppressed and Manwaring was pardoned, but not without consequences. His reputation took a further hit when he was charged for making seditious remarks in support of the rebellion. Additionally, he was sued for goods he had taken during the uprising. By this point, Manwaring's finances were strained, and his reputation was in tatters.

Seeking a fresh start, Manwaring relocated to North Carolina in the 1680s. By January 1684, he had settled in Perquimans County. He began practicing his trade, renting a house and land, and sawing planks for customers. But his contentious nature quickly resurfaced. That same year, he sued his landlord for damaging his reputation by speaking ill of him, alleging that he had lost the respect of his employees. Over the next few years, his litigious tendencies continued. In 1689, a disagreement with a client over a building contract led to another court case. Despite the legal disputes, Manwaring was able to establish himself as a contractor and employ trained servants. He acquired land and became involved in the community, maintaining enough standing to participate in court matters and local affairs.

In 1694, he was appointed, along with fellow carpenter Anthony Dawson, to mediate a building dispute between another carpenter and a client. The following year, the two men also witnessed an apprenticeship indenture. Manwaring was a regular figure in local courts, serving as a juror, inventorying estates, and handling other legal matters. However, his reputation was not immune to further scandal. In 1698, he was convicted of forging fraudulent deeds and received a heavy fine. Showing little remorse, he ignored the punishment, and within months, he threatened members of the court. His behavior escalated to the point where he was publicly humiliated—punished by being placed in the pillory, with one of his ears nailed to it. As was customary, his ear was then clipped off as a permanent mark of shame.

Following this punishment, Manwaring left North Carolina and returned to Virginia. His reputation, already tarnished by his earlier actions, was beyond repair. He died in November 1699, leaving behind a legacy of legal trouble, insurrection, and a trail of unfinished business. He was buried in the churchyard of Sittenburne Parish in Richmond County, Virginia, marking the end of his tumultuous life.

Chronology of events

Quoted or paraphrased with accuracy, this *Chronology of events* consists of every dated mention of Stephen Manwaring, including variant spellings of his name, which could be located in published sources and historic documents. An attempt has been made to arrange these events according to the Gregorian calendar, even though most dates are shown in Julian calendar format. Even still, some of the events dated in the months January to March, in years where the Julian calendar was in use, may be positioned one year earlier than what would be considered chronologically accurate. Additionally, text contained within quote marks is as-written, containing errors in spelling and-or punctuation, as they were published in the sources relied upon.

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| bef. 07 Jan 1637 | According to Lounsbury, ³ Stephen Manwaring was born ca. 1640, and was “English-born.” Smith (1963 29, 30) wrote that he was born ca. 1645, and implied by the pedigree presented for him that he was born in England. His year of birth is shown as ca. 1645 in <i>U.S. and International, Marriage Records, 1560-1900</i> (Source numbers 521.000, 942.000, and 943.000). |
| bef. 1671 | Stephen married, as his first wife, Elizabeth née unknown (A. W. Smith 1963, 29). ⁴ |

³ *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R.

⁴ Year for marriage estimated based on the year of birth for their daughter, Elizabeth Manwaring.

- ca. 1671 Elizabeth Manwaring, daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth Manwaring, was born in Westmoreland County, Virginia (A. W. Smith 1963, 24, 29) (Welch 1978, 50; Chart of Mrs. J. M. Hendricks).
- bef. 02 Oct 1672 Stephen Manwaring immigrated to Colonial Virginia in 1672 (Filby 2006, 115).⁵ This date is adjusted to be bef. 02 Oct 1672, which is the date of the first record of him in Virginia—*RDP*.
- 02 Oct 1672 Stephen Manwaring's name appears as "Stephen Maneringe" in a list of 116 names enumerated at the foot of a land grant whereby Capt. William Whittington was granted 5,800 acres—all of Jengoteag (now Chincoteague) Island—in Northumberland County.⁶
- 1673 "[Stephen] Manwaring by 1673 employed at least four indentured English and Irish servants on his Virginia plantation. In that year three of his servants charged that he had failed to release them from their indentures and pay them their freedom dues. Moreover, the servants testified that Manwaring and his wife had murdered a servant woman by bashing her head with an axe or hoe and thrusting her into a henhouse where she died. Manwaring denied the charge and said she had died from disease, a claim which the court apparently upheld."⁷
- 30 Oct 1673 "Manering vs Jones. The Difference Between Step Manering and Geo: Jones vpon an Appeale from Rappã Court is Refferred to the 3^d Day of next Gen^{ll} Court

⁵ The source for Stephen Manwaring's year of immigration, *Passenger and Immigration Lists Index, 1500s-1900s*, "is an index to passengers who arrived in United States and Canadian ports from the 1500s through the 1900s. It contains listings of approximately 4,712,000 individuals and references thousands of different records compiled from everything from original passenger lists to personal diaries."—"Filby, P. William, Passenger and Immigration Lists Index, 1500s-1900s," *WeRelate.org*, November 22, 2014, https://www.werelate.org/wiki/Source:Filby%2C_P._William._Passenger_and_Immigration_Lists_Index%2C_1500s-1900s (accessed September 06, 2022). The land grant of Capt. Whittington, dated October 2, 1672, was most probably the record from which the *Passenger and Immigration Lists* determined Stephen's year of immigration.—*RDP*.

⁶ *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R. *ibid.*, Whittington. The presence of the names on the foot of the land grant suggest that they were headrights proven by Whittington for the awarding of the land grant. This suggestion is reinforced by the patents and grants abstracted in *Cavaliers and Pioneers* (Nugent 1934). Written in the same manner as Whittington's land grant, with lists of names in their foot, these names are described therein as being either persons due for transport or already transported into the colonies.

⁷ *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R.

(McIlwaine, Minutes of the Council and General Court of Colonial Virginia, 1622-1632, 1670-1676 1924, 357)."

23 Sep 1674

"Manering vs Jones. In the Difference Betweene Mr Step: Mannering and Mr Geo: Jones about a Horfe Called Manering, Given by Major Weir to the Said Manering is Refferred to the Court of Rapp^a to Enquire wheither the Said Horfe Manering is Inventoried in the Said Major Weires Inventory by the Said Manerings hand Writeing or Consent if not found Inventoried as aforefaid, This Court Doth Adjudge the Horfe to be Manerings. And the Court of Rapp^a to allow the Said Manering Reafonable Damages for his Trouble Expences and want of the Horfe to be paid by Mr Jones, and in Cafe the faid Horfe be any waies Difabled before Deli^vy to Manering then the Court to Adjudge the full Value of the Horfe at the Death of Major Weir, and to Order paym^t with Cofts (McIlwaine, Minutes of the Council and General Court of Colonial Virginia, 1622-1632, 1670-1676 1924, 377)."

25 Sep 1674

"Manering vs Chamberlaine. In the Difference between Mr Stephen Manering and Tho: Chamberlaine Vpon an App^{le} from Weftmerland County Court about the faid Chamberlaines ffreedome, being fully heard, It is Ordered that the Order of Weftm^rland County Court be made Void, and that the faid Chamberlaine ferve Seven yeares from his firft Comeing into this Country According to his Indenture, and pay Cofts (McIlwaine, Minutes of the Council and General Court of Colonial Virginia, 1622-1632, 1670-1676 1924, 379)."

06 Mar 1674/75

"Peale vs Manering. Whereas there was a Difference Betweene Mr Mala Peale Pl^t and Mr Stephen Manering Defd^t in Weftmerland County Court wherein Judgment paffd Againft the Said Mannering for payment of Two Thoufand Two hundred and Twenty pounds tobo and Caske, and the faid Manering Appeaeling to the fourth Day of this Court where he not Appeareing to p^rsecute, It is therefore Order'd that the Order of that Court be Confirmed, and that the Said Manering pay Damages According to Act wth Cfts Sute als ex (McIlwaine, Minutes of the Council and General Court of Colonial Virginia, 1622-1632, 1670-1676 1924, 407-408)."

Oct 1676

"When the uprising spread to Westmoreland, Bacon sent repeated orders to Col. John Washington, who apparently ignored them. Washington, in fact, may have gone to the

‘Eastern Shore’ to join Berkeley. In October, 1676, word reached Bacon’s lieutenant in Westmoreland, Stephen Mannering, that John Washington’s overseers were using a sloop, and perhaps more than one, to carry food and tobacco from his Virginia plantations across the Potomac to Maryland. Mannering was preparing at the moment to set out on an expedition against the Indians and consequently could not go in person to Washington’s farms. In his place, Mannering sent a party of ‘rebels’ under Daniel White, with instructions to impress all of Colonel Washington’s stores, to seize his small craft, and to prevent any further shipment to the Maryland shore (Freeman 1948, 27; citing I Hoppin, 198).”⁸

“When the Bacon uprising got afoot, Col. Washington hired a sloop and sent his cattle, horses, &c., into Maryland to save them from raiders. When the rebel commander learned this he issued a warrant dated 21 Oct., 1676, ordering one of his officers, one [Stephen] Mannering, to go to Washington’s plantations and prevent their removal, or ‘to cease ye sloop yt shall in anytime attempt yt takeing of goods belonging to sd Washington or any other delinquent yt are fled fayle not hereof.’ Subsequently, Mannering, was captured and parolled on giving bond dated 19 June, 1677. Before a commission investigating the conduct of many of those who had been rebels, a Mr. Arminger made an affidavit, dated 26 July, 1677, telling of Mannering’s visit in Oct., 1676, to Col. Washington’s house, and said ‘Madam Washington sd to ye sd Mannering, ‘if you were advised by your wife, you need not come to this passe’; that is, being in disgrace. As this visit occurred in Oct., 1677, it was Mrs. Frances Washington speaking (Browning, 338).”

21 Oct 1676

“Stephen Mannering was a Westmorelander who eventually became an unhappy victim of the ambitious Bacon whom he bunglingly sought to serve. Washington’s defiance of Bacon was the beginning of the latter’s downfall and contributed to the failure of the insurrection. This order [shown below] by Stephen Mannering was found in the possession of Daniel White and, four months after the

⁸ “The text of White’s orders is given in I Hoppin, 198. It was through the diligent search of Mr. Hoppin that the interesting documents on John Washington’s part in Bacon’s Rebellion were brought to light (Freeman 1948, 27).”

rebellion was over, it was recorded with other papers in legal proceedings against White.

“Mr Stepⁿ Mannering warrant to Danniell Whitte

“BY VIRTUE OF A WARRANT by me received from y^e Hon^{ble} Lt. Gen^l Tho: Goodrich for y^e impressing of all y^e p[’]visions belonging to y^e Delinquents & secureing of y^e Estates of all those Y^t are fled. Till further Ord^r, from y^e right Hon^{ble} Nathaniell Bacon Generall of all his Maj^{ts} force in Virginia, and being informed y^t Coll John Washington’s overseers are conveyig of Corne meate & Tobacco in a Sloope or sloops over to Maryland, and being my selfe at this instant goeing against y^e Indians, These are therefor in his Maj^{ts} name to will & require you Daniell White, uppon sight hereof imeditately to goe to y^e plantacon of y^e sd Washington by y^e river side & cease & Impresse all y^e corne & p[’]vision, Tobacco, Stocke or stockes y^t belong to y^e sd Washington, either one y^t plantacon or one y^e other plantacon called y^e Round Hills, & to command y^e overseeres of both plantacons In his Maj^{ts} name not to suffer any Corne, Cattle horses, mares servants or any other things to be conveyed away by any pson or psons till further order from y^e Generall & to cease y^e Sloope or Sloops y^t shall on any wise attempt y^e takeing p[’]vision, conveying of any pt or parssels of goods y^t either belongs to the said Washington or any other delinquents y^t are fled; fayle not hereof as you will answer y^e contrary at y^e utmost p[’]ill.

“Given under my hand this 21st of October 1676.

[signed] Stephen Man^ring

“This warrant was recorded June y^e 19th 1677 (Hoppin 1932, 197-198; citing Westmoreland Deeds Patents Accounts Depositions from 1665 to 1677, p. not cited).”

13 Jun 1677

“Stephen Mannering and Daniel White, who raided Colonel Washington’s plantation and turned it into a rebel garrison, saved their own necks,--the former by an abject supplication for mercy, and the othe by giving a bond to keep the peace and by paying Colonel Washington damages for property taken at the time White and the rebels under his command raided the Colonel’s estate at the instigation of Bacon.

“Stephen Man^rnering, Joseph Hardwick & Rich: Bartton
Rich^d Donaham, Confesscon.

“ffor AS much as wee . . . have bin eminently & noteriously
Active in y^e late horrid rebellion sett on foot by Nathaniell
Bacon junior: to y^e great dishonour of God, pertur-bacon of
y^e peace, wellfare & safety of his Maj^{ts} collony of Virginia &
to evill example of our fellow subjects within the same,
NOW y^e said Stephen Mannering, Joseph Hardwick &
Richard Barton, Richard Donaham doe upon our bended
knees humbly, heartily, & unfeignedly confesse &
acknowledge our said traiterous rebellious practises,
whereby wee have rendred ourselves lyable to y^e most
severe punishm^t: but doe humbly crave & implore mercy &
pardon of God almighty, the King’s most excellent Maj^{tie},
his most sacred Ma^{tes} Governor & other inferior officers, &
all other our fellow subjects within this Collony for such
our horrid treasonable & rebellious practices, heartily &
unfeignedly resolveing with our selves & humbly begging
assistance from God almighty never to perpetuate attempt
or consent to y^e like.

“This recognition wee desire to be Recorded the 13th of
June 1677.

“[signed] Joseph Hardwich, Richard Barton, Richard
Donaham, Stephen Mannering (Hoppin 1932, 200; citing
Westmoreland Deeds Patents Accounts Depositions from
1665 to 1677, p. 301 dorso).”

19 Jun 1677

Stephen Mannering was “parolled on giving bond” after
being arrested for his role in Bacon’s Rebellion (Browning,
338).

26 Jul 1677

“The Dep^o of Mr William Armiger & Jn^o Deery taken this 26th
day of July 1677, as followeth.

“That being at Coll Jn^o Washington’s house there Came into
there Company one Stephen Man^ring & haveing some
discourse about y^e sd Armigers takeing of some prisoners
in y^e sd Washington’s hous in y^e time of Backen’s Rebellion,
y^e sd Man^ring Issued out these following (vizt).

“That y^e Cheife Officers of his Maj^{ties} p^t thein in distress
Runn away from there Commissions.

“The sd Armiger desireing him to take a Care of what he had sd his Answer was y^t he had Already suffered ye Law & now he Cared not a [--] for any man.

“The s^d Armiger told him he acted by a fallse Commission & how Durst he be soe forward upon so treachours designe as he well knew, where upon he replied he did it to destroy y^e heathen & if it were to doe againe he would doe it.

“Then Armiger demanded of him why hee did not lay downe his armes when one Miller Came in, his answer: was y^t hee had a letter from Coll Goteredge y^t his housen was burnt his wife & familly robed & his wife & children forced to ly on straw & he him selfe to be hanged if taken, w^{ch} forced him as he sayes to goe to y^e other pty.

“Hee Replied y^t there Generall Ingrum was a Cowardly treachoursly Dogg for laying Downe his armes, or otherwise he would die him selfe at y^e face of his Enimey, & severall other such Expressions attending to y^e same purpose.

“Said Armiger told him he begged his commission, w^{ch} he swore bitterly it was fallse & would force y^e sd Armiger to prove it.

“This is y^e wholle truth of what wee can remember of this hole discourse. William Armiger, Jno Deery.

“(Examined separately Armiger deposed):

“The sd Manvering demanded of y^e Armiger how many he did take p’soners at Coll. Washington’s house & he answered seaven there & one att Mr. Jno. Lewling’s house, & ye sd Mannering asked what armes they had & y^e sd Armiger replied 14 Gunns loaden, upon wch he y^e sd Manvering replied [--] dam him, were hee there wth 14 men he would uphold the house from five hundred men or Else die at there feet.

“And sd Armiger then told him he was a foole; then sd Manvering to y^e sd Armiger he was bound to y^e peace & durst not Challenge him, but sta[m]ped with his foot & sd., I doe not Challenge you, but come out if you Please.

“MADAM WASHINGTON said to y^e Manvering, if you were Advised by your wife you need not a Come to this passe; he

answered, G- dam my wife, if it were to doe again I would doe it againe.

“[signed] William Armiger, John Deery

“These Dep^o was recorded the 25th of August 1677 (Hoppin 1932, 199; citing Westmoreland Deeds Patents Accounts Depositions from 1665 to 1677, p. 324).”

- 20 Aug 1677 Westmoreland, VA. Stephen Manwaring was tried and found guilty of rebellion by a jury for his role in Bacon’s Rebellion (Farrell 2020, 81).
- 25 Aug 1677 The deposition of William Armiger and John Deery, taken on the 26th day of July 1677, against Stephen Mannering, was entered into record (Hoppin 1932, 199; citing Westmoreland Deeds Patents Accounts Depositions from 1665 to 1677, p. 324).”
- 29 Sep 1677 Westmoreland, VA. “Robert Edwards⁹ sued Stephen Manwaring for possessing his horse bridle, saddle and pistols. Judgement for 2,500 lbs. tobacco (Farrell 2020, 81).”
- 1683 In proceedings of the Provincial Court of Maryland, Stephen Manwaring was plaintiff against Samuel Jefferson in two cases (Merritt 1964, 329; citing Liber W. C., p. 664).
- by 05 Jan 1684 “[Stephen Manwaring] was in Perquimans County by January 5, 1684, where he began practicing his trade. He rented a house and land and began sawing planks for customers.”¹⁰
- by Oct 1684 “[Stephen Manwaring] sued his landlord for speaking so ill of him that he had ‘lost his good name and reputation amongst his employees.’”¹¹
- 01 Oct 1684 In the case of “William Steward vs. Lawrence Gupton”, the Court ruled that, “Whereas George Castleton & Stephen Manwaring were bound to their good behaviour the Court

⁹ On August 20, 1677, Robert Edwards was one of the jurors in the trial that found Stephen Manwaring guilty of rebellion for his role in Bacon’s Rebellion.

¹⁰ *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R.

¹¹ *ibid.*

thinks fitt to discharge them paying costs of suit." The costs of the suit being, "The Jury fynd a Cow and Calf with costs of suite for y^e plantf Ordered that y^e Def^t pay to y^e plantf one Cow and Calf with costs of suite als execucon (Crittenden 1942, 51-52)."

- 02 Oct 1684 "Whereas complaint hath beene ^{made} of Contempt of authority of Stephen Manwaring It is Ordered that the Sheriff forthwith take y^e said Stephen Manwaring into Custody and him safely to keepe till he give Security to appeare at the (next?) Court and alsoe to make good his coplaint ag^t M^r ffra Toms (Crittenden 1942, 53)."
- 10 Oct 1684 "In a court case held 10 October 1684 Stephenus Manniring (Manwaring) sued Georgius Castleton in an action of Trespass in that Castleton was to find food, lodging and washing for Manwaring at Castleton's house for the term of one year in consideration of 10 £ 6 s. 80 p. Also in an action of debt for goods used to the value of 3 £ and for other debts. Also in an action of Trespass that Castleton has goods and cattle belonging to Manwaring valued at 8 £ 15 s. 9 p. which by violence the defendant has unjustly detaineth. Also an action of defamation of Trespass "by approbrious languige and callinge of the plaintiff perjured Rooge and murthering Rooge and averring that he the defendant would prove the Same against the plaintiff (Ladd 2002, 314)."
- 03 Dec 1684 "M^r Ffrancis Toms haveing exhibited a petcon ag^t Stephen Mannering for opprobrious Language & haveing been ordered & approved ag^t him the Court ffines him One thousand Pounds of Porke to the Lords Proprietors Ordered that he pay it accordingly (Crittenden 1942, 55)."
- Jan 1685/86 Elizabeth Manwaring, daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth Manwaring, married James Thigpen II as his second wife (A. W. Smith 1963, 24).
- bef. 1687 Stephen Manwaring and wife Elizabeth had two daughters: (1) Susannah Manwaring, who married prob. a Tramison and had son Stephen; (2) a daughter, name and details not shown (A. W. Smith 1963, 29).
- ca. 1687 Stephen Manwaring married, as his second wife, Hannah Jones née Vose, a widow with a young son named John. Hannah (b. 1670; d. 1696) was the daughter of William

- Vose (A. W. Smith 1963, 29; citing Berkeley Parish Register).
- 05 Mar 1687 "David Blake of Perq, sold to Robert Beasley of same, all right to a Tract of Land [--] adj Peter Gray, on North side of Perq River. Mar 5, 1687. Test' Peter Gray, Stephen Mannering (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 41; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 50)." (Hathaway 1903, 432-433; text shown)
- 1688 John Manwaring, son of Stephen and Hannah (Vose) Manwaring, was born in Perquimans Precinct (A. W. Smith 1963, 29).
- 02 Feb 1688 "Wm Stephens of Perq, planter – to Stephen Manwaring of same, Carpenter [--] a plan' on West-side of Perishos Creek, 'with Entry, & right of said Stephens, & Joanna his wife,' for 650 lbs of Merchantable Tobacco. His trusty friend Alexander Lillington, of Yeopim Gent - to present this Deed in Court. Test' Wm Stewart, Wm Chapman. Edward Mayo, Reg'r (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 38; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 8)."
- 1689 "[Stephen Manwaring] had a disagreement with a client over the sawing of several thousand feet of planks for a house he was building."¹²
- 1690 Stephen Manwarring sued Edward Norwood (Ray 1956, 100).
- Orphan James Perisho¹³ "selected Stephen Manwarring (Spelled Manneringe) as his guardian, and it was ordered that he manage the orphan's plantation in Perquimans Precinct until he comes of age or cause it to be managed to the advantage of said orphan and give bond therefor (Ray 1956, 100, 126)."
- Stephen Manwarring was ordered to take into his custody all of the estate of one David Blake (Ray 1956, 100).

¹² *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R.

¹³ This was probably the James Perisho, son of James and Hannah Perisho, who was born November 25, 1676 (Hathaway 1903, 210).

07 Apr 1690

“At a Court Holden for the Precinct of Pequimans at the house of Mary Scot on the first Monday in Aprill being the 7th day thereof 1690.

“Stephen Mannaringe commencing a Suite agst Edward Norwood and the Jury findinge for the Plaintiff that Edward Norwood hath been privy & concerned in a fraudulent conveyance to defraud Stephen Mannaringe and that Edward Norwood shall pay what Stephen Mannaringe can make appeare to be him due. The Court agreeing with the Jury’s Verdict Ordereth the sd Edward Norwood pay as much as Stephen Mannaringe can make appeare to be his due (Hathaway 1903, 433).”

“James Perishow this Court to Chuse his Guardian who being allowed his petition: Who choosinge Stephen Mannaringe It is therefore Ordered that Stephen Mannaringe mannage the sd Orphan James Perishow & manage his plantation till he come to age or cause it to be managed to the advantage of the sd Orphan & give bond to keepe him in the County & for his good (Hathaway 1903, 433).”

“Ordered that whereas there was a Cow given by will by Thomas Long deceased to Charles Sanford; & by a former order David Blake was to have the keeping of the sd Cow to the use of the sd Charles Sanford putinge in Security for the same, & increase & the sd David Blake being insolvent: it is therefore ordered that Patrick Kennedy take into his Custodie the sd Cow & increase, Giving security for the use thereof to whom it belongeth. Ordered that Stephen Mannaringe take into his Custodie all the Estate of David Blake where ever to be found in this precinct attached paying the debts due from the sd David Blake, Sam’l Pricklove, Mary Scott, Hn. Nichols and himselfe 1 £ 11 s. 6 d. and that uppon Oath Robert Beasly, James Johnson and Tymothy Clare or any two of them apprise what shall be put to them by the Sheriff and to return the surplus to David Blake or his order, after due debts paid.

“Ordered that the evidences subpenared uppon Stephen Mannaring’s account be allowed according to law, respect being had to their distance of place (Hathaway 1903, 434).”

- 30 Nov 1690 "Hanah Manwaring y^e daughter of Stephen Manwaring and Hannah his wife was borne y^e 30th of Novm^r: 1690."¹⁴ (Hathaway 1903, 217) (Ray 1956, 100; year of birth shown) (A. W. Smith 1963, 29; citing Berkeley Parish Register, only year of birth shown)
- 01 Jan 1690/91 "At a Court Holden for the Precinct of Pequimans the first Monday in January 1690-1 at the house of Mary Scot.
- "Robert Brightwell commenceing action against Stephen Mannering for 5709 pounds of Tobacco and the Jury findinge for the Plaintiff, Therefore the Court Ordereth that Stephen Mannering pay to Robert Brightwell 5709 pounds of Tobacco with costs of Sute, Alias Execution.
- "Robert Brightwell commencing Sute against Stephen Mannering for the possession of a Plantation by Contract & the Jury findeinge for the defendt Ordereth that Robert Brightwell pay Costs (Hathaway 1903, 437-438)."
- 04 Sep 1691 Stephen Manwaring, in Perquimans, NC, was witness to the Last Will and Testament of John Wolfenden(Grimes 1910, 422).
- 29 Aug 1692 "Julianna Taylor, 'hath engaged to deliver unto Capt Anthony Dawson, one heifer, in Ballance of all account between sd Parties, which Heifer sd Dawson freely gives to Jone Taylor.' Aug 29, 1692. John Stepney Reg. & Clerk. Test' Stephen Manwarring, John Hollford (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 43; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 68)."
- May 1693 "Mr Ste. Mannering (Manwarring)" appeared as a member of the petit jury of a Court, showing sitting as Justices, Alexander Lillington, Caleb Calloway, and John Barrow (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 7).
- 01 May 1693 Perquimans, NC. In the case of "St^e Manering vers Rob Beasley—In an action of the case refered to the Jury ffol: the Jury finds no cause of Action." In the case of "St^e Manering vers Rob. Wilson—In an action of defamation

¹⁴ "Perquimans, NC: Births, Marriages, Deaths, Flesh Marks and Brands, 1659-1739; Birth record for Hannah, Daughter of Stephen Manwaring and Hannah his wife (3rd entry)," *FamilySearch.org*, 1690, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9D2-6JB?i=29&cc=1726957> (accessed September 08, 2022).

referred to y^e Jury ffol: the Jury finds no cause of Action. Ordered y^t Stephen Mannering pay all costs alias Execution.” In the case of “St^e Manering vers Rob Wilson—In an action of ejectment referred to the Jury ffol: The Jury finds no cause of action. Ordered y^t Stephen Mannering pay all costs alias Execution (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 386-387).” (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 387)

1694

“[Stephen Manwaring] and carpenter Anthony Dawson were appointed by the county court to arbitrate in a building dispute between carpenter Richard Williamson and a client.”¹⁵

“[Stephen] Manwaring again sued Wilson for defamation but the case was continued and finally dismissed as *res adjudicate*¹⁶ (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 413, 428); Wilson sued him for trespass as a result of differences over land entries and Manwaring won (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 414).”

“[Stephen Manwaring] acted as attorney for John Mason, for Christopher Butler, and for James Thigpen (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 417, 425, 433).”

Feb 1693/94

Justices Alexander Lillington, Caleb Calloway, and John Barrow held Court at the house of Diana Foster, where “Stephen Manwaring [proved] rights for Edward Berry, and John Deadman (who died at the house of John Harris July 15, 1692, for whom Deadman’s Swamp in Perquimans was named). The name of Manwaring appears on the records of Richmond County, Virginia, and one Stephen Manwaring came to Carolina from Surry County, Virginia, apparently (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 9).”¹⁷

5 Feb 1693/94

Perquimans, NC. In the case of “Plater vers [Stephen] Manwaring—A nonsuite is craved and granted with Costs alias Execution (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 394).”

¹⁵ *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R.

¹⁶ Generally, *res judicata* is the principle that a cause of action may not be relitigated once it has been judged on the merits.

¹⁷ Date shown in source as “February 1694/4” is clearly an error.—RDP

(Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 394, 397)

Perquimans, NC. In that same Court, “Stephen Manwering has proved his rights being (1) Edward Bery, (2) Andrew Kinsley, (3) John Deadman, (4) Robert Brightwell, Sen^r, (5) Alice Brightwell, (6) Robert Brightwell, Inn^r, (7) Richard Parker, (8) John Caselton, (9) Stephen Manwering, being in all nine Rights (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 396; commas and numbering added in the list of rights proved.—RDP).”

“He [Stephen Manwaring] proved nine headrights including himself (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 396).”

- 07 Feb 1694 “Jenkins Williams, & Joanna his wife, for £5 pd by Joseph Sutton, sold 158a, & one half, (pt of a patent recorded May 15, 1694) on Perq River, adj said Sutton. Feb 7, 1694. Test’ Stephen Manwarring, James Perishow (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 45; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 97).”
- 07 Aug 1694 Perquimans, NC. In the case of “Belman ver Mannering—In an action of ffalse Molestation there being an error in y^e declaration. Ordered a nonsuite (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 397).” (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 394, 397)
- 08 Aug 1694 Perquimans, NC. “M^r Stephen Manwering” named as a Juror in the Grand Jury indictment of “Thomas King being Indited for felloniously stealing sev^{ll} Goods from M^{rs} Diana ffoster and others (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 397).”
- 13 Aug 1694 “Hannah Gosby, for Natural love I bear my son John Gosby, & dau’ Sarah Gosby, do give £30 when they are 16 years of age. Aug 13, 1694. Test’ Stephen Manwarring, Jonathan Bateman, John Stepney (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 44; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 85).”
- 26 Sep 1694 Albemarle, NC. “Mr. Robert Wilson attached to answer Stephen Manwaring in a plea of Defamaçon and the s^d Wilson came and craves time untill the next court for y^e procuring of this evidence. Whereupon it is referred to y^e next Court (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 413).”

27 Sep 1694

Albemarle, NC. "Stephen Manwaring attached to answer Robert Wilson in a plea of trespass of the case and the s^d Stephen Manwaring came and the s^d Wilson alsoe and both partys freely and voluntarily refere themselves to the judgm^t of the Court as well in the title of the land as alsoe in the assessing of damages and costs. And the s^d Robert Wilson by his attorney M^r Richard Plater saith that the said Stephen Manwaring into one plantaçon to y^e s^d Robert Wilson belonging lying in pequimons p^rcinct adjoining on a certaine place called the long reach unlawfully hath entered and an house thereon built and the ground thereof broke up and severall other injurys thereon comitted though thereof forewarned whereof the plantif saith he hath damage of fifty pounds and the said Stephen Manwaring saith that in and to the s^d plantaçon he hath entered as it was just and lawfull for him to doe for and because the s^d plantaçon whereon the s^d trespass by the plantf. is aleged to be comitted is not as the plantif hath aleged the land of the s^d Robert Wilson but y^e proper land of the s^d Stephen Manwaring and the s^d Robert Wilson produceth y^e entry of the s^d land wth his receipts and quit-rents by him the s^d Wilson paid for the s^d land, And the s^d Stephen Manwaring by Capt Henderson Walker his attorney produceth his right and entry. And upon consideracon of the whole matter it appearing to the Court that M^r Stephen Manwaring's entry hath the priority.

"Ordered that the survey^r lay out for the s^d Stephen Manwaring six hundred and forty acres of land according to Cap^t ffletchers entry and y^t the land y^t shall be found between y^e line and to be laid out for the bounds of the s^d six hundred and forty acres of y^e s^d Stephen Manwaring and W^m Lacy's line be surveyed for the s^d Robert Wilson and the survey thereof be returned to the first day of the next Court that it may appear where the trespass lyeth (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 414)."

Albemarle, NC. "Ordered to be recorded. John Tweger Wm Lacy Tho. Stephens Nicholas Symons sworne evidences for the plantif in a plea of defamaçon between Stephen Manwaring plantif and M^r Robert Wilson Defed^t now depending (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 415)."

Albemarle, NC. "Nicholas Symons crave judgem^t for his lawfull allowance for three dayes attendance and a day comeing and a day going being sumoned to give his

evidence for Stephen Manwaring in an action agst Mr Robert Wilson.

“Ordered that the s^d Stephen Manwaring pay unto the s^d Nicholas Symons y^e sume of ten shillings and ten pence (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 416).”

Albemarle, NC. “Robert Beasley sumoned to answer Stephen Manwaring in a plea of the case and the s^d Manwaring came and saith that the s^d Beasley refuseth to p^rforme a contract and assumption by him made for the sawing wth the s^d Manwaring or his serv^t five thousand five hundred foot of planke for the use of the s^d Manwaring upon considera^on three thousand five hundred pounds tobacco w^{ch} was due from the s^d Robert Beasley to y^e s^d Stephen Manwaring. But y^e s^d Robert Beasley making it appear that the s^d action of the case now brought by the s^d Manwaring hath alreddy been tryed by the Country in several Cor^{ts} and found for the Defend^t Ordered that it be dismissed and y^t the s^d Stephen Manwaring pay costs (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 416).”

Albemarle, NC. Stephen Manwaring served as attorney for John Mason, whereas “Jno Mason [was] bound over to appear at this Court to answer Wm Bournsby in an appeal from judgment given upon a verdict of Jury in Pascotank Court against the s^d Wm Bournsby (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 417).”

Albemarle, NC. Stephen Manwaring ordered to pay costs to witnesses, viz:

“Wm Lacy jnn craves judgem^t for his allowance according to law for his attending two ds upon this Court and a day and a day goeing being summoned by Mr Stephen Manwaring to give evidence for the s^d Manwaring in action between the sd Stephen Manwaring and Mr Robert Wilson.

“Ordered that the s^d Stephen Manwaring pay unto y^e s^d W^m Lacy the sume of eight shillings and four pence.

“W^m Vos craves judgm^t for allowance according to law for his attendance upon this Court two dayes and a day comeing and a day goeing being summoned to give evidence in an action between Robert Wilson and Stephen Manwaring.

“Ordered that the s^d Stephen Manwaring pay unto the s^d W^m Vos y^e sume of eight shillings and four pence.

“Patrick Keniday Craves judgem^t for allowance according to law for his attendance upon this Court two days and a day coming and a day goeing being summoned to give evidence for Stephen Manwaring in an action between the s^d Stephen Manwaring and M^r Robert Wilson.

“Ordered that the s^d Stephen Manwaring pay unto the s^d Patrick Keniday the sume Eight shill & four pence.

“Thomas Stephens Craves allowance according to law for his attending of this Court as an evidence for Stephen Manwaring ag^t Robert Wilson two days and a day coming and day goeing.

“Ordered that the s^d Stephen Manwaring pay unto the s^d Thomas Stephens eight shillings and four pence.

“Jn^o Twegger craves allowance for attending this Court being an evidence for Stephen Manwaring against Robert Wilson four days and a day comeing and a day goeing.

“Ordered that the said Stephen Manwaring pay unto y^e Jn^o Tweger the sum of thirteen shillings and four pence.”

Additionally, Stephen Manwaring is named in orders to opposing attorneys to pay costs to witnesses, viz:

“Joan Vos Craves judgm^t for Lawfull allowance for her attending upon this Court two days and a day coming and a day goeing being sumoned to give evidence for Mr Robert Wilson in an action between y^e s^d Robert Wilson and Stephen Manwaring.

“Order^d that y^e s^d Robert Wilson pay unto the s^d Joan Vos the sume of eight shills and four pence.

“Patrick Keniday craves judgm^t for allowance according to law for his attendance upon this Court two Days being sumoned to give evidence for Robert Wilson in an action between the s^d Wilson and the s^d Manwaring Ordered accordingly (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 417-418).”

28 Sep 1694

Albemarle, NC. Stephen Manwaring ordered to pay costs to witnesses, viz:

"Wm Lacy Sen^r Craves allowance for his attendance being an evidence for Stephen Manwaring agst Robert Wilson two ds and day comeing and day goeing.

"Ordered that the s^d Stephen Manwaring pay unto the s^d Wm Lacy eight shills and four pence.

"Peter Grey craves allowance for one days attendance being an evidence for Stephen Manwaring against M^r Robert Wilson.

"Ordered that the s^d Stephen Manwaring pay unto Peter Grey thirty pence.

"Peter Grey craves allowance for one d^s attendance being evidence for Stephen Manwaring against Robert Beasley.

"Ordered that Stephen Manwaring pay unto the s^d Peter Grey thirty pence."

Additionally, Stephen Manwaring is named in an order to an opposing attorney to pay costs to a witness, viz:

"Peter Grey craves allowance for his attendance one day being Evidence for Mr. Robert Wilson in an action against Stephen Manwaring.

"Ordered that the s^d Robert Wilson pay unto Peter Grey the sum of thirty pence (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 418)."

27 Nov 1694

"Stephen Manwaring comes to prosecute his sute upon a reference from the last Court in a plea of defamaçon against M^r Robert Wilson and y^e s^d Wilson by Mr John Porter Jn^r his attorney comes and saith that y^e s^d action against y^e s^d Robert Wilson ought not to be had for and because the same action had before been brought by y^e s^d Stephen Manwaring agst y^e defend^t and upon tryall by the Country was found for the defend^t.

"Orderd y^t y^e sute be dismissed and y^t y^e s^d Stephen Manwaring pay costs (Beauregard, Clark and Weeks 1886, 428)."

- 1695 “...carpenters [Stephen] Manwaring and Dawson witnessed an apprenticeship indenture.”¹⁸
- 14 Oct 1695 “Stephen Manwaring, for £16 pd by Jonathan Jones, sold land in Perq. Ack’ Oct 14, 1695. Test’ Elizabeth Thigpen, Mary Bolles (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 45; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 102).”
- 26 Feb 1695/96 “Ordered that the marshal take into custody Stephen Manwaring, and him safely keep, until he shall find surety for his appearance the second day of the next general court, to answer for his contemptuous and insolent behavior before the court, and to be of good abearance in the mean time.
- “Whereas, it appears unto this court that Stephen Manwaring hath been a juryman in the precinct court of Perquimons, in a cause wherein he was before retained as an attorney: ordered that the said Stephen Manwaring be not suffered to plead as an attorney in any court in this government.
- “Upon the humble petition of Stephen Manwaring, praying that he may have until the fifth day of the next general court to make proof that he informed the court of his being of council in the above-mentioned cause before he was sworn of the jury; the above order is suspended until the fifth day of the next general court, that the said Stephen Manwaring may make proof of his above-mentioned assertion (Hawks 1858, 111-112).”
- 06 Jun 1696 “Wm Vose, & Johannah his wife, for a valuable con’ pd by Stephen Manwaring, do assign our right to a plan’ whereon I now live, 50a on North side of Perq River. June 6, 1696. Test’ Wm Stewars, Edward Woodhara, Mary Long (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 47; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 121).”
- 13 Oct 1696 “Jonathan Jones of Pasquotank Co, for £15 pd by Stephen Manwaring, sold ‘Land formerly purchased from sd Manwaring, with his assignment on back of sd Patent, formerly belonging to Charles Macdaniel.’ Oct 13, 1696.

¹⁸ *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R.

Test' James Parishow, Cullum Flynn, Nicholas Johnson (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 47; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 117)."

29 Dec 1696 "Hannah Manwaren wife of Stephen died (Hathaway 1903, 402)." (A. W. Smith 1963, 29; year of death shown)

aft. 1696 After the death of Hannah, his wife, Stephen placed his minor children into the care of his daughter and son-in-law, Elizabeth and James Thigpen, and married (third wife) Jane Wilkinson Vose. Jane was the widow of William Vose, father of Stephen's second wife Hannah. Having married William Vose in 1688, Jane was not Hannah's biological mother—she was her step-mother. After remarrying, Stephen and his wife removed to Virginia (A. W. Smith 1963, 29).

1697 "[Stephen] Manwaring bought a plantation from William and Ivanna Vas (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 485) and sold 200 acres to James Parishen (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 480)."—*cf.*, 09 Jan 1696/97.

"Whereas, at a general court, holden the 26th day of February, 1695[/96], Stephen Manwaring was, by order of the said court, disabled from pleading as an attorney in any court of record in this government; which order was suspended upon the petition of said Manwaring, and day given him to the then next general court to clear himself from the information then brought against him; which he, the said Manwaring, not having done, the said order passed against him is hereby revived and confirmed. And it is hereby ordered that the said Stephen Manwaring shall not be from henceforth permitted to plead as an attorney in any court of record in this government (Hawks 1858, 112)."

09 Jan 1696/97 "Stephen Manwarring of Perq, 'Entitled to a tract of Land, 640a as by Patent, May 1, 1695, in con' of a bill of Sale under the hand of James Parishow of same [--] assigns 240a, pt of sd tract, in possession of sd Stephen, at the lower End of Bear Garden along the Swamp to the Creek.' (Vosses Creek) Jan 9, 1696-7. Test' Anthony Dawson, Patrick Kenedy, Cullum Flynn (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 46-47; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 115)."

"James Parishow of Perq, planter-in con' of a Deed of Sale, from Stephen Manwaring of same [--] do assign unto sd

Manwaring, plan' on South west side of Perq River, down to a Creek called 'Perishows' adj Wm Steward. Jan 9, 1696. Test' Anthony Dawson, Patrick Kenedy, Cullum Flynn (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 47; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 116)."

13 Jan 1697

Stephen Mainwaring, in Albemarle, NC, was witness to the Last Will and Testament of Jacob Peterson (Grimes 1910, 285).

12 Apr 1697

"Richard Nowell of Perq; in 'Lawfull possession of a plan' on South west side of Little River, by a patent Sept 1, 1694, for love I beare my dau Alis, do give, with consent of my wife Elenor, 200a of sd Land.' April 12, 1697. Test' Stephen Manwaring, John Stepney (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 47; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 124)."

"Richard Batchler, & Katherine my now wife, (Admix of John Spellman Dec'd) for a valuable con' sold to John Jenkins a plantation. April 12, 1697. Test' John Barrow, Stephen Manwaring (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 47; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 125)."

06 Jul 1697

"Know all men by those prsents. yt. I John King of Little river in the County of Albemarle in North Carolyna for & in Consideration of thirty two pds. & ten shillings current money to me the above said in hand paid by Stephen Manwaring of Poquomiss (?) river in the County abovesd. with which sum of money I doe acknowledge myselfe fully satisfied Contented and paid: and thereof for me my heires Exors. Admns. & assignes doe acquitt and discharge the abovesd. Stephen Manwaring his heires Exors. Admrs. & assignes forever and doe hereby alien Bargaine In feeoffe assign sett out & deliver and Confirme doe by these prsnts. for me my heires Exors. Admrs. and assignes alien Bargaine In feeoffe assign sett out & deliver & Confirme unto ye abovesd. Stephen Manwaring his heires Exors. Admrs. and assignes forever all ye [--] Rights [--] & Inheritance which I have and claime in one hundred acres of Land scituate & lyeing & being upon upper Chipoakes Creeke in the County of Surry in Virg. Bounding vizt. abutting upon the said Creeke running South into the woods Wm. Bookings devident of Land & lyeing on ye West side To have & to hold ye sd. one hundred acres of Land with all & singular ye houses orchards fences woods woods ways waters priviledges profitts hereditamts. & appurtenances therein

or in any wise or kind wtsoever. thereunto belonging to him ye abovesd Stephen Manwaring his heires and assignes forever in as large and ample manner to all intents and purposes as I myself have hold posess and enjoy by virtue of a bargaine sale from under the hand & scale of Tho. Middleton (?) or upper Chipokes in the County of Surry and Bearing date ye twentieth ninth day of October, in the yeare of our lord one Thousand six hundred and ninety: as relacon thereunto had both more at large appear, and also a Certain tract of Land to me belonging Conteyning one hundred seventeen acres lyeing & being in the abovesd. County of Surry bounding as ye-doth make [--] bearing Date on ye twentieth day of [--] 1688 A pcell. of Land formerly purchased of Wm. Chivers lyeing in ye abovesd. County of Surry adjoyning to the lower End of ye aforsd. hundred & seventeen acres as may appeare by ye sd. Chivers Conveyances To have and to hold the sd. one hundred & seventeen Acres of Land together with ye pcell. of Land purchased of Wm. Chivers with all and singuler the Right & priviledges with all ye appurtenances thereunto belonging in any kind whatsoever unto him ye abovesd. Stephen Manwaring his heires & assignes forever. I hereby doe warrant and defend ye abovesd. sailes of ye abovesd. pcells. of Land & premises together with all the appurtenances from all maner of Claimes Incumbrances wtsoever.-- the sd. Stephen Manwaring yealding & paying he & his Exors. and Admns. and assignes yearely ye Quitrents that shall become due for ye aforesd. pcell. of Land. In Wittness hereof I have sett to my hand scale this 6th day of July one thousand six hundred Ninety seven.

“Jno. King (Seale)

“Signed Sealed & delivered in ye presence of

“William Pettway

“Her

“Elizabeth E. Pettway

“Marke

“Att a Court held for ye County of Surry July 6th 1697 This day appeared in Court the above named Jno. King and did

acknowledge ye above specified contents to be his reall Act
& Deede.

“Test I. Edwards Cl. Cr.

“Vera Record

“Test I. Edward Cl. Cr.

(Shivers 1950, 316-317; citing Deed Book of Surry County -
1694-1709, pp. 131-132)“

1698 “Convicted of forging fraudulent deeds,¹⁹ he [Stephen Manwaring] pled for mercy and was given a heavy fine, which he ignored. Within three months he ‘contemptuously and dangerously’ threatened the lives of members of the court. He was punished for his outrages by having to stand in the pillory with one of his ears nailed to it (a standard punishment, in which the ear was then clipped off to brand the offender). After the loss of his ear and concomitant public shame, Manwaring returned to Virginia, leaving a trail of lawsuits behind him in North Carolina.”²⁰

According to *Crown v. Manwaring* (Parker 1971, 226), “In 1698 the General Court prescribed a year’s confinement to forger Stephen Manwaring, only to have him threatened ‘the blood and lives of the Honorable members of this Court... [because] there is not any Close prison to secure him in.’” For his crimes, “The General Court decreed that Stephen Manwaring, in addition to a year’s confinement, ‘lose one of his Eares’ for forgery.”²¹

Jan 1699 Attorney Daniel Akhurst, who was commissioned as Secretary of North Carolina in 1692, brought “a case against Stephen Manwaring who is ordered to pay him £8, 1s., 1d. in ‘poork (National Magazine, v. XVI, n. 4 1892).”

06 Oct 1699 Stephen Mannering authored his Last Will and Testament,²² viz., will abstract: “Mannering, Stephen, Sittingburne Parish.

¹⁹ *Suspect relations* (Fischer 2002, 179) incorrectly states that “Stephen Manwaring had an ear severed in 1698 for *counterfeiting money*.”

²⁰ *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R.

²¹ Paraphrased in *Crime and society in North Carolina, 1663-1776* (Spindel 1989, 120, 125).

²² Manwaring, Stephen, “Stephen Mannering, of Sittenburne Parish, Richmond, Va., Last Will & Testament, 06 Oct 1699, Richmond, Va., Wills and Inventories, Vol. 1, 11,” *FamilySearch.org*, October 06, 1699,

6 Oct., 1699—6 March, 1699. Grandson John Jones; godson Stephen Trainum; wife Jane executrix. Codicil. Dr. Paul Micou, Rowland Thornton and Neb. Jones overseers; witnesses Rowland Thornton, Neb. Jones (Crozier 1909, 227; abstract, citing Richmond County Wills, Book No. 2)."

Another abstract of the same will: "To gr-son John Jones, legacy not to be delivered 'till said Jones is free (21); to godson, Stephen Tramison, and wife Jane (A. W. Smith 1963, 29)."²³

Another abstract of the same will: "Stephen MANNERING, Sitt. Par., will; 6 Oct 1699. 6 Mar 1699/1700. wife Joan; grson. John JONES; godson Stephen [FRAINUM]; no ex; wits: Rowland THORNTON, Nabu. JONES. [A cod. appoints Dr. Paul MICOU, Rowland THORNTON, and Nabu. JONES to be overseers.] (Headley 2002, 6)"²⁴

Nov 1699 "[Stephen Manwaring] died in November, 1699, and was buried in the churchyard of Sittenburne parish in Richmond County (A. W. Smith 1963, 29)."²⁵

1700 "[Stephen] Manwaring's power of attorney to James Thigpen was proved in 1700 (Crittenden 1942, 52; footnote, citing Colonial Records, I, 532)."

06 Mar 1699/00 Stephen Mannering's Last Will and Testament was probated in Richmond, Virginia (Crozier 1909, 227; abstract, citing Richmond County Wills, Book No. 2).

01 Oct 1700 "James Thigpen Att' to Stephen Manwaring, late of N. C. sold to John Lilly of same, 30a formerly belonging to Wm Voss, purchased of said Wm Voss by Stephen Manwaring, Jan 16, 1696, on line of Francis Toms & Jonathan Jones. Oct 1,

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PF-CSBL-M?i=15&cat=366820> (accessed January 12, 2022).

²³ The abstract provided by Smith demonstrates that grandson John Jones was born after 1678. Neither abstract suggests who the parents were for the grandson. Smith's abstract also provides a more reasonable spelling of the last name for Stephen's godson.

²⁴ Headley's abstract states that Stephen Manwaring's wife was named "Joan," not "Jane." Unlike the abstract given by Crozier, which states "wife Jane executrix," this abstract states that no executor or executrix was named in the will. However, a digital image of the actual will clearly shows that Stephen Mannering wrote "I do make, ordain & appoint my loving wife Jane Mannering to be execut^x this my Last Will & Testamt..."

²⁵ *ibid.*, Lounsbury, Carl R.

1700. Test' Gabriel Newby, Mary Newby (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 50; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 158)."

"John Lilly, & Hannah his wife, for a sum of Money pd by James Thigpen sold a 'plan' formerly belonging to Wm Voss,' & sold unto me by James Thigpen, Att for Stephen Manwaring. Oct 1, 1700. Nath'l Chevin Clk Court. Test' Gabriel Newby, Mary Newby (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 51; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 163)."

08 Oct 1700

"Att a Court Holden Att ye House of James Oats for ye Pr'ct of Piquemon, ye secont Tuesday in October, being ye 8 day Anno Dmi, James Thigpen, Attorney to Stephen Manwaring Acknowledged A deed of Sale of Land and plantation to John Lilly (A. W. Smith 1963, 26; citing Col. Rec. Vol. 1, p. 535)."

12 Aug 1701

"James Thigpen Att' to Stephen Manwaring of Perq, for a Valuable con' pd by John Flowers of same [--] sold 80a on Western side of 'Long Reach, in the Narrows of Perq River' adj Francis Toms Sr. Aug 12, 1701. Test' John Barrow, Francis Foster (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 52; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 174)."

16 Oct 1701

"Christopher Butler, Att' to Stephen Manwaring, sold to John Anderson Land on North-east side of Perq River, called 'Pricklows plan'" adj Thomas Atterway, & Francis Foster, formerly Edward Norwoods land [--] 209a. Reg Oct 16, 1701. Test' James Ward, Joannah Ward (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 52; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book A, No. 179)."

03 Sep 1707

"September the 3'd day 1707. We the subscribers do Testifie that a man named Stephen Manerwing who profest himselfe to be a Resident in north Carolina and did desese this life in Richmond County and died the first week in november and was Buryed in the Church yeard of Sittenburne parish in the above said County, Nabuchedenesor Jones and John Tysett do Testifie that the abovesaid Stephen Manerwing did declare that he had a son name John and a Daughter named Hanah living in the said North Carolina; Manerings son and Daughter, Wittness our Hands the day and yeare above.

"Nabu Jones

“marked by

“John x Tysett

“marked by

“Nathaniell x Hall

“The above deposition was Sworne to in Richmond County Court by the above named Nab’u Jones, John Tysett and Nathan’ll Hall and upon the motion of –(illegible)– Bluehead on the same was admitted to Record (Fleet 1943, 21-22; citing Richmond County Miscellaneous Records, Book 1, p. 43-A).”

1708 An administration bond was issued for the estate of Stephen Manwaring, of county not stated, his administrator being named as Thomas Blitchenton, a butcher, and the surety for the bond being Hannah Manwaring, a dau. of the dec’d (Johnson 1974, 2951; citing N. C. Administration Bonds, 1680-1778).

20 Dec 1711 “Divers patents for Land being prepared according to her Majesty’s Instructions were this day signed by the Governor in Council. On the petition of George Hoggard of Surry County setting forth that he obtained a Warrant to enquire of the Escheat of two hundred and seventeen acres of Land late belonging to Stephen Manwarring of the said County, that he hath prosecuted the said Escheat according to the rules of the General Court, and obtained a Certificate from the said Court accordingly. And that the petitioner being unable to pay the Composition and fees for obtaining a patent, hath assigned his Right to one William Rookings, and therefore praying that a patent may issue to the said Rookings for the aforesaid Land. It is Ordered that a patent be prepared accordingly in the name of the said Rookings, he producing Certificates from her Majestys Receiver General of his having paid the Composition due to her Majesty and other fees arising on the said Escheat (McIlwaine, Executive Journals of the Council of Colonial Virginia 1928, 297).”

04 Jan 1715/16 Elizabeth Manwaring, daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth Manwaring, died in Perquimans Precinct, NC (Welch 1978, 50; Chart of Mrs. J. M. Hendricks), and was buried at “Shannon” where her half-brother, John Manwaring, son of

Stephen Manwaring and Hannah Vose, was living at at the time (A. W. Smith 1963, 24, 29).

bef. 20 Apr 1716

Robert Moore²⁶ married Hannah, daughter of Stephen and Hannah (Vose) Manwaring (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 71; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book B, No. 23).²⁷

20 Apr 1716

“Robert Moore, & Hannah his wife in the Pre’ct of Perq for £14, pd by James Thigpen, assigns Land, ‘on Which said Thigpen now lives,’ on the Perq River, (200a) which did formerly belong to Stephen Manwaring, Late of N. C. Purchased by said Stephens of Wm Vose, Jan 16, 1696, upon lines of Francis Toms, & Jonathan Jones. Test’ Jno. Falconer, Jonathan Evens (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 71; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book B, No. 23).”

Mrs. Winslow, compiler of *Hist. of Perq. Co.*, inserted a footnote which states: “Note: [--] Hannah Mainwaring dau of Stephen m Wm Moore (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 71).” This, however, contradicts the statement made by Robert Moore and Hannah his wife in the April 9, 1723, sale of property, that Hannah had inherited from her “father Stephen Manwaring (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 81; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book B, No. 158).” It further contradicts the statement made in the Moore Family Bible, which reads “Moore (1) Robert, came to N. C. from the Isle of Man, with Rev Richard Marsden. He m Hannah Manwaring (d of Stephen), issue: 1 James, b Oct 23, 1717 [--] 2 Martha b Mch 26, 1726/7 [--] Robert, b Mch 29, 1729 (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 384; citing The Family Bible of Perquimans County).”

09 Apr 1723

“Robert Moore, & Hannah his wife, of Perq, for ‘love we bear our friend Joseph Jessop’ of afore’ do give a plan’ which ‘our father Stephen Manwaring dec’d purchased of Charles Mackdaniel, on the ‘Narrows’ of Perquimans, S. W. side, & ‘willed to his Dau Hannah Manwaring, now Hannah

²⁶ Robert Moore “came to NC from Isle of Man, with Rev. Richard Marsden (A. W. Smith 1963, 29).” (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 384; citing The Family Bible of Perquimans County)

²⁷ According to (Hart 1987, 64; citing Order Book 1744-1749, p. 422), “Jan. 20, 1747: Robert Moore (of NC) md Hannah, illegitimate dau. of Stephen Mannering.” The date of marriage for Robert and Hannah is proven to have been prior to 20 Apr 1716 when the deed of that date refers to the couple as “Robert Moore, & Hannah his wife” (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 71; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book B, No. 23). Additionally, Hannah’s birth record refers to her as “daughter of Stephen Manwaring and Hannah his wife,” thereby proving that she was a legitimate child to her parents.

Moore.” April 9, 1723. Test’ Thomas Jessop, James Newby (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 81; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book B, No. 158).”

19 Sep 1724 “No. 180. Mary Lacy, of ‘Isle of Wight Co in Va’ for £15 pd by Smith Kelly, ‘late of Va,’ Sold 100a called ‘Huckeltout’ on North side of Vosses Creek, adj ‘Land willed to my Brother Francis, & Brother William,’ & Land of my sister Elizabeth, ‘which was Pattented by Stephen Manwaring,’ & sold by his ‘heirs to my Father Wm Lacy, & given to me in his will.’ Sept 19, 1724. Test’ Thom White, John Williams (Mrs. Winslow 1931, 82; abstract, citing Perquimans Deed Book B, No. 180).”

Chapter II. Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, Cheshire

While diligently examining published sources and historical records pertaining to the Manwarings of England, in my search for the parents and ancestry of Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish, I was able to locate record of only two Manwarings with the given name of Stephen who lived in England prior to 1645. One is an abstract of the Last Will and Testament of Fraunces Askewe, of Egham, yeoman, dated 21 Dec 1602, proved 21 Jan 1602/03, in which a “Steephen Manneringe” is named as a legatee (Surrey Record Society 1920, 163). The other is the christening record of a “Stephen Maynwaring,” son of “Raph Maynwaring” and his wife “Ellin,” dated 07 Jan 1637, in Middlewich, Cheshire, England.²⁸

The date of the first-mentioned record pre-dates the estimated birth of Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne, by little more than half a century. While the naming of a Stephen Manwaring in Askewe’s will demonstrates that the given name of “Stephen” has been in use within the Norman lines of Manwaring as early as 1600, the date of the record and the inability to locate further information regarding the legatee disqualifies this particular Stephen Manwaring from the focus of this research.

The date of the second-mentioned record, however, pre-dates the estimated birth of Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne, by only three years. When considering the possibility that this christening record may be for Stephen Manwarin, of Sittenburne, such a discrepancy is well within a tolerable range when considering that Stephen Manwaring’s estimated birth is a range based solely on guesswork.

Referring to the abstracts for the Parish Registers, 1538-200, and the Bishop’s Transcripts, 1598-1900, online databases at *FamilySearch*, additional records were located by which the immediate family of Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, could be genealogically reconstructed. The only other resource used for the completion of this task, thus far, is the *Index to the Wills and Inventories now preserved in The Court of Probate, at Chester, From A.D. 1660 to 1680* (Record Society 1887).

Throughout the remainder of this chapter, mentions of all Manwarings, including mention of Stephen Manwaring, will be in regards to those “of Middlewich.” Unless stated otherwise, all mentioned events occurred within Middlewich. The reader is reminded that the spellings of names have been standardized, and that the names presented within the remainder of this chapter may not be spelled exactly as they appear in the relied-upon resources.

²⁸ England, Cheshire, “Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Maynwaring, Stephen 07 Jan 1637, Christening,” *FamilySearch.org*, January 07, 1637, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GZ-XYQ> (accessed December 06, 2022).

Christened on 07 Jan 1637, Stephen Manwaring was the second of three sons identified as being born to Ralph Manwaring, Jr., and his wife, Ellen.²⁹ Stephen's eldest brother, Charles, was christened on 17 Jan 1635/36.³⁰ His younger brother, Samuel, was born on 15 Nov 1647.³¹ The lapse of eleven years between the dates of Stephen's christening and Samuel's birth suggests that other children may have been born to Ralph, Jr., and Ellen.

The christening date of Charles, their eldest known child, suggests that Ralph, Jr., and Ellen were married prior to 17 Jan 1635/36. Furthermore, it suggests that they were probably born about 1615. This latter suggestion will be revisited later in this chapter.

Ralph, Jr., died in late Feb or early Mar 1667/68 – the abstract for one record states that he was buried on 03 Mar 1667/68,³² and the abstract for another states that he was buried on 09 Mar 1667/68.³³ The latter of these two records suggest that Ralph was a junior, stating that his father was also named Ralph.

Ellen survived Ralph, Jr., as his widow. In 1669, she was granted administration to the inventory of her deceased husband's goods and estate (Record Society 1887, 176). This grant of administration suggests that Ralph, Jr., died intestate (Record Society 1887, front matter, p. xii, no. 2).

Ralph, Jr., was the eldest of at least two children born to Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich, and Katherine, his wife. His sister, unbaptized and unnamed in the record, was buried on 29 Aug 1617.³⁴ It is from this burial record that the mother of Ralph, Jr., is identified as being named Katherine.

²⁹ *ibid.*

³⁰ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaringe, Charles 17 Jan 1635, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, January 17, 1635, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GZ-ZLD> (accessed December 06, 2024).

³¹ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaringe, Samuel 15 Nov 1647, Birth," *FamilySearch.org*, November 15, 1647, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GZ-5ZD> (accessed December 06, 2024).

³² England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaring, Ralph 03 Mar 1667, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, March 3, 1667, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7G2-CLJ> (accessed December 06, 2024).

³³ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaring, Ralph 09 Mar 1667, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, March 9, 1667, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7G2-CL2> (accessed December 06, 2024).

³⁴ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: unbaptized child of Raphe Manwaringe and Kathereen (transcribed as sex 'Unknown'; digital image of record says 'a girl') 29 Aug 1617, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, August 29, 1617, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-J59> (accessed December 06, 2024).

Katherine was buried on 13 Sep 1617, just two weeks after the burial of her unbaptized daughter.³⁵ These facts suggest two things: first, that the unbaptized daughter may have died within a day, or so, of her birth; second, that Katherine may have died either as a result of complications associated with the birth of the child, or from psychological trauma associated with losing a child.

On 03 Oct 1619, Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich, married Elizabeth Manwaring, of Middlewich.³⁶ To this marriage were born at least four daughters: Mary, christened 17 Dec 1620;³⁷ Elizabeth, christened 17 Nov 1622;³⁸ Margaret, christened 20 Mar 1624/25;³⁹ and Ellen, christened 11 Mar 1626/27.⁴⁰ The latter of these daughters, Ellen, was buried 16 Mar 1633/34.⁴¹

Revisiting the suggested year of birth for Ralph, Jr., being about the year 1615, the christening dates for the daughters of his father and step-mother, Elizabeth, suggest that his father sired a child every two-to-three years. Since the birth of his sister is presumed to have been about the same day as her death and burial, in the year 1617, it appears reasonable to presume that the suggested year of birth for Ralph, Jr., may be fairly accurate.

Taking a similar approach, as used when estimating the year of birth for Ralph, Jr., the following additional estimates are considered: Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich, and Katherine, his first wife, were born ca. 1595; Ralph and Katherine were married ca. 1614; Elizabeth Manwaring, of Middlewich, second wife of Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich, was probably born ca. 1600; Ellen, wife of Ralph Manwaring, Jr., was probably born ca. 1618; Ralph, Jr., and Ellen were married ca. 1634.

³⁵ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Kathereen, wife of Raphe Manwaringe 13 Sep 1617, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, September 13, 1617, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-J5N> (accessed December 06, 2024).

³⁶ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Raphe and Manwaringe, Elliz. 03 Oct 1619, Marriage," *FamilySearch.org*, October 3, 1619, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-GMQ> (accessed December 06, 2024).

³⁷ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Mary, dau. of Raphe Manwaringe and Ellizabeth 17 Dec 1620, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, December 17, 1620, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-PPB> (accessed December 06, 2024).

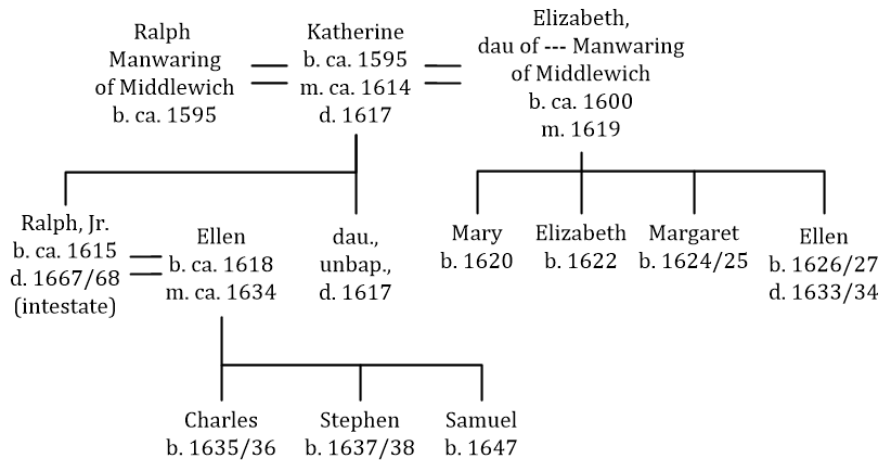
³⁸ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaring, Elizabeth, dau. of Raphe Manwaring and Elz 17 Nov 1622, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, November 17, 1622, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GM-626> (accessed December 06, 2024).

³⁹ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Mainwaring, Margaret, dau. of Raphe Mainwaring and Elizabeth 20 Mar 1624, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, March 20, 1624, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GM-2VF> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁴⁰ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Elline, dau. of Raphe Manwaringe and Ellizabeth 11 Mar 1626, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, March 11, 1626, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHLD-MSS> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁴¹ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Mainwaringe, Ellen, dau. of Rafe Mainwaringe 16 Mar 1633, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, March 16, 1633, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7G9-8J4> (accessed December 06, 2024).

Figure 1. Descendants of Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich



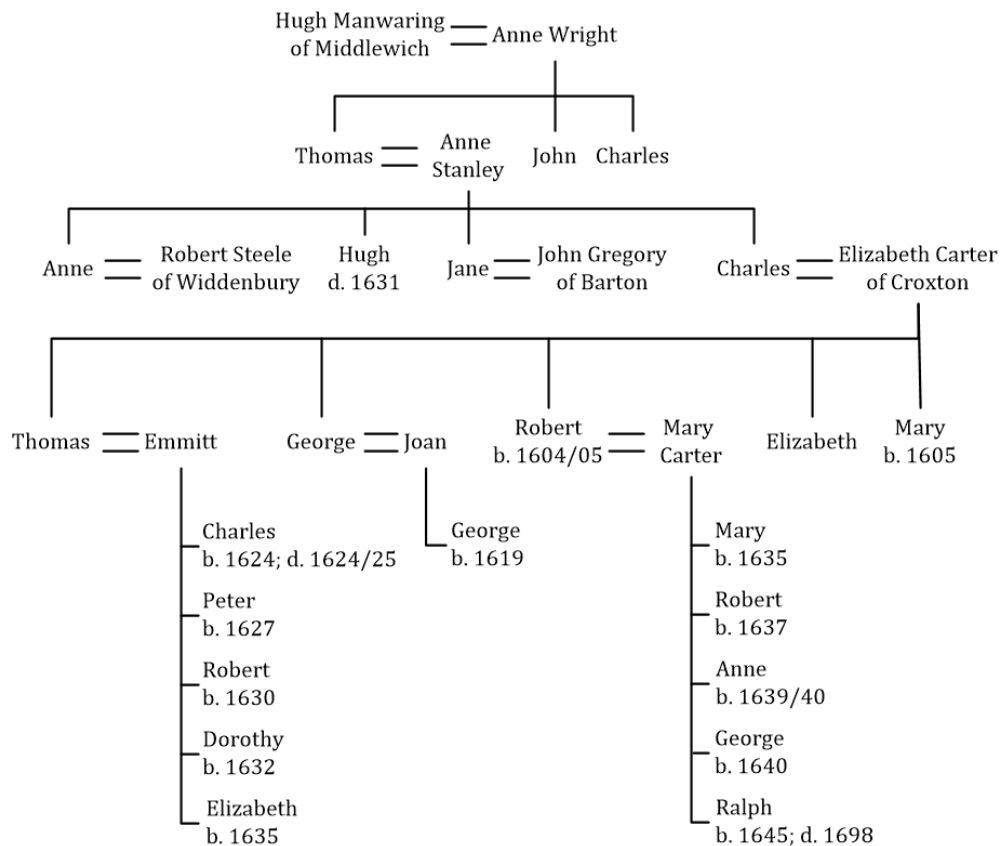
Descendant Report for Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich

- 1 Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: Abt. 1595 in Middlewich.
+ Katherine __; b: Abt. 1595, m: Abt. 1614, d: Abt. 13 Sep 1617 in Middlewich.
- 2 Ralph Manwaring, Jr., of Middlewich; b: Abt. 1615 in Middlewich, d: intestate, Abt. 03 or 09 Mar 1667/68 in Middlewich.
+ Ellen __; b: Abt. 1618, m: Abt. 1634.
- 3 Charles Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: Bef. 17 Jan 1635/36 in Middlewich.
- 3 Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: Bef. 07 Jan 1637/38 in Middlewich.
- 3 Samuel Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: 15 Nov 1647 in Middlewich.
- 2 *dau.* Manwaring; b: Abt. 29 Aug 1617 in Middlewich, d: unbaptized, Abt. 29 Aug 1617 in Middlewich.
+ Elizabeth Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: Abt. 1600, m: 03 Oct 1619 in Middlewich.
- 2 Mary Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: Bef. 17 Dec 1620 in Middlewich.
- 2 Elizabeth Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: Bef. 17 Nov 1622 in Middlewich.
- 2 Margaret Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: Bef. 20 Mar 1624/25 in Middlewich.
- 2 Ellen Manwaring, of Middlewich; b: Bef. 11 Mar 1626/27 in Middlewich, d: Abt. 16 Mar 1633/34 in Middlewich.

Chapter III. Manwarings of Croxton and Middlewich, Cheshire

According to *Mainwarings of Whitmore and Biddulph in the County of Stafford* (Cavenagh-Mainwaring, 56), *History of Cheshire, Vol. II* (1778, 753), *et. al.*, Hugh Manwaring, a bastard son of Randle Manwaring, Esq., of Peover, and Emma de Farrington, was the progenitor of the Manwarings of Croxton near Middlewich. According to the *Visitation of Cheshire, 1613* (Record Society 1909, 162), this Hugh's great-grandson and namesake, Hugh, son of Charles Manwaring, Esq., of Croxton, and Katherine Dokenfield, was the progenitor of the Manwarings of Middlewich.

Figure 2. Descendants of Hugh Manwaring, of Middlewich



The information contained within the chart (above) and the descendant report which follows was compiled from data extracted from the *Visitation of Cheshire, 1613* (Record Society 1909, 134, 156-158, 161-162), *History of the County Palatine and City of Chester, Vol. III* (Ormerod 1819, 46, 113-114), and *Short History of The Mainwaring Family* (Finley 1890, 34-35), as well as record abstracts for the "Parish Registers, 1538-2000" and "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900" in the online databases at *FamilySearch*.

Descendant Report for Hugh Manwaring, of Croxton

1. Hugh Manwaring, of Croxton.

+ Margaret Croxton.

2. Ralph Manwaring.

+ Katherine Darley.

3. John Manwaring; d: without issue.

3. Charles Manwaring, Esq.; d: 10 Mar 1514/15, on "Monday, in the fifth week of Lent," in the reign of 5 Hen. VIII.

+ Katherine Dokenfeld.

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4. Hugh Manwaring, of Middlewich.

+ Anne Wright.

5. Thomas Manwaring.

+ Anne Stanley.

6. Anne Manwaring.

+ Robert Steele, of Widdenbury.

6. Hugh Manwaring; d: Abt. 14 Jul 1631 in Middlewich.⁴²

6. Jane Manwaring.

+ John Gregory, of Barton.

6. Charles Manwaring.

+ Elizabeth Carter, of Croxton.

7. Thomas Manwaring.

⁴² England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Mainwaringe, Hugo 14 Jul 1631, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, July 14, 1631, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GM-BP8> (accessed December 06, 2024).

- + Emmitt __.⁴³
- 8. Charles Manwaring; b: Bef. 01 May 1624 in Middlewich,⁴⁴ d: Abt. 18 Mar 1624/25 in Middlewich.⁴⁵
- 8. Peter Manwaring; b: Bef. 13 Nov 1627 in Middlewich.⁴⁶
- 8. Robert Manwaring; b: Bef. 29 Mar 1630 in Middlewich.⁴⁷
- 8. Dorothy Manwaring; b: Bef. 24 Jun 1632 in Middlewich.⁴⁸
- 8. Elizabeth Manwaring; b: Bef. 02 May 1635 in Middlewich.⁴⁹
- 7. George Manwaring.
 - + Joan __.⁵⁰
 - 8. George Manwaring; b: Bef. 17 Dec 1619 in Middlewich.⁵¹

⁴³ see footnotes for children's events.

⁴⁴ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Mainwaring, Charles, son of Thomas Mainwaring and Emmitt 01 May 1624, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, May 1, 1624, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GM-LQ9> (accessed December 06, 2024). England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Charles, son of Thomas Manwaringe and Emmitt 01 May 1625, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, May 1, 1625, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-Y2Y> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁴⁵ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Mainwaring, Charles, son of Thomas Mainwaring and Emmitt 18 Mar 1624, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, March 18, 1624, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GM-2VD> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁴⁶ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Peter, son of Thomas Manwaringe and Emmitt 13 Nov 1627, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, November 13, 1627, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHLD-MGS> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁴⁷ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaringe, Robertus, son of Thomas Manwaringe, mother's name not shown 29 Mar 1630, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, March 29, 1630, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GM-5YF> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁴⁸ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Doretie, dau. of Tho. Manwaringe and Ermin 24 Jun 1632, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, June 24, 1632, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHLD-954> (accessed December 06, 2024). England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaring, Dority, dau. of Tho. Manwaringe and Ervin 24 Jun 1632, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, June 24, 1632, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7G9-3MH> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁴⁹ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Mainwaringe, Elizabeth, dau. of Thomas Mainwaringe, mother's name not shown 02 May 1635, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, May 2, 1635, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-35Y> (accessed December 06, 2024). England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Maynwaringe, Elizabeth, dau. of Thomas Maynwaringe and Ermin 02 May 1635, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, May 2, 1635, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7G9-N25> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁵⁰ see footnotes for child's events.

7. Robert Manwaring; b: Bef. 03 Feb 1604/05 in Middlewich.⁵²
+ Mary Carter; m: 10 Jun 1633 in Macclesfield.⁵³
 8. Mary Manwaring; b: Bef. 03 May 1635 in Middlewich.⁵⁴
 8. Robert Manwaring; b: Bef. 25 Jun 1637 in Middlewich.⁵⁵
 8. Anne Manwaring; b: Bef. 03 Mar 1639/40 in Middlewich.⁵⁶
 8. George Manwaring; b: Bef. 29 Jul 1640 in Middlewich.⁵⁷
 8. Ralph Manwaring; b: 1645 in Middlewich,⁵⁸ d: Abt. 11 Jun 1698 in Middlewich.⁵⁹
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⁵¹ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, George, son of George Manwaringe and J-- 17 Dec 1619, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, December 17, 1619, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-LQ4> (accessed December 06, 2024). England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaringe, George, son of George Manwaringe and Jone 27 Dec 1619, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, December 27, 1619, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7L1-B9K> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁵² England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Robert 03 Feb 1604/05, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, February 3, 1604/05, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NCH6-NQF> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁵³ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Mainwaringe, Robt and Carter, Mary 10 Jun 1633, Marriage," *FamilySearch.org*, June 10, 1633, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7G9-4T1> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁵⁴ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Mainwaringe, Mary, dau. of Robt. Mainwaringe, mother's name not shown 03 May 1635, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, May 3, 1635, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-3R3> (accessed December 06, 2024). England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Maynwaringe, Mary, dau. of Robert Maynwaringe and Mary 03 May 1635, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, May 3, 1635, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7G9-NLM> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁵⁵ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Maynwaring, Robert, son of Robert Maynwaring and Mary 25 Jun 1637, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, June 25, 1637, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GZ-X3R> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁵⁶ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Mainwaring, A--, child of Robt. Mainwaring and Marie 03 Mar 1639/40, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, March 3, 1639/40, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHL8-HBQ> (accessed December 06, 2024). England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Maynwaring, Anne, dau. of Robt. Maynwaring and Mary 03 Mar 1639/40, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, march 3, 1639/40, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GZ-2ZD> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁵⁷ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaring, George, son of Robert Manwaring and Mary 29 Jul 1640, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, July 29, 1640, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GZ-G45> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁵⁸ England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Mainwaringe, Raphe, son of Robert Mainwaringe and Mary 1645, Birth," *FamilySearch.org*, 1645, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7GZ-5Z3> (accessed December 06, 2024).

7. Elizabeth Manwaring.

7. Mary Manwaring; b: Bef. 18 Oct 1605 in Middlewich.⁶⁰

5. John Manwaring.

5. Charles Manwaring.

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4. James Manwaring; d: Bef. 10 Mar 1514/15 (in his father's lifetime).⁶¹

+ Margaret Fitton.

5. Isabella Manwaring; b: Abt. 1510 (she was 4 years of age when her grandfather Charles died),⁶² d: without issue.

4. Charles Manwaring; d: 15 Aug 1558 (15 Aug. 6 Mariæ).

+ Ellen Brereton.

5. Charles Manwaring; d: without issue (Ormerod 1819, Vol. III, p. 114; citing Tabley MSS).⁶³

+ Elizabeth Holford.

6. James Manwaring, Esq.

+ Elizabeth Manwaring, of Carincham.

7. Eleanor Manwaring.

+ Michael Oldfield.

8. Manwaring Oldfield.

⁵⁹ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaring, Ralph 11 Jun 1698, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, June 11, 1698, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NHKC-CQ6> (accessed December 06, 2024). England, Cheshire, "Parish Registers, 1538-2000: Manwaring, Ralph 11 Jun 1698, Burial," *FamilySearch.org*, June 11, 1698, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:F7P8-9MN> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁶⁰ England, Cheshire, "Bishop's Transcripts, 1598-1900: Manwaringe, Mary, dau. of Charles Manwaringe, mother's name not shown 18 Oct 1605, Christening," *FamilySearch.org*, October 18, 1605, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NCH6-P46> (accessed December 06, 2024).

⁶¹ Date of death based on his father's date of death.

⁶² Estimated year of birth calculated from her grandfather Charles' date of death.

⁶³ Though Ormerod noted that the Tabley MSS states that Charles Manwaring died without issue, Ormerod includes issue for Charles Manwaring.

- 7. Juliana Manwaring; d: without issue.
 - + Philip Landen; d: without issue.
- 7. Elizabeth Manwaring; d: 1628.
 - + Roger Hurleston, Esq., of Chester.
- 5. James Manwaring.
- 5. Oliver Manwaring.
- 5. Randle Manwaring.
- 5. Margery Manwaring.
 - + John Brooke, of Leighton in Chester.
- 4. Isabel Manwaring.
 - + Ralph Thickness.
- 4. Anne Manwaring.
- 4. Eleanor Manwaring.

Chapter IV. Proposals for the ancestry for Stephen Manwaring

All of the information presented in the foregoing chapters was compiled for the proposals made in this chapter.

The first proposal

As stated in Chapter II, and demonstrated by historic records, Ralph Manwaring, Jr., the father of Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, died intestate. In doing so, genealogists are deprived of a Last Will and Testament from which to draw sound conclusions in regards to his offspring. Fortunately, christening records have been preserved to provide the names of his sons, and dates from which to estimate their dates of birth.

Considering that the record cited for Stephen Manwaring, in Chapter II of this book, appears to be the only record of a Stephen Manwaring born in England around the year range estimated for the birth of Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish, the following theory is proposed to the genealogical community—

Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish, Richmond, Virginia, and Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, Cheshire, England, were the same person.

The second proposal

As stated in Chapter II, and demonstrated by historic records, Ralph Manwaring, the grandfather of Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, married an Elizabeth Manwaring, of Middlewich, following the death of Katherine, his first wife.

The years of birth for Ralph's children by both wives range from ca. 1615 to 1626/27 (see Chapter II, Figure 1). This birth range corresponds to the birth range established in the fifth generation of the Manwarings of Middlewich, being from 1619 to 1645 (see Chapter III, Figure 2).

Within the known descendants of Hugh Manwaring, of Middlewich, there is only one female by the name of Elizabeth – a daughter of Charles Manwaring and his wife, Elizabeth Carter, of Croxton. Located in the fourth generation of descent within the Manwarings of Middlewich, she is ideally positioned to produce offspring born between the years 1620 and 1626/27, as was done by the second wife of Ralph Manwaring. The known births of her siblings, Robert (b. 1604/05) and Mary (b. 1605), are also near to the estimated year of birth for the second wife of Ralph Manwaring.

Considering all of the foregoing, the following theory is proposed to the genealogical community—

The Elizabeth Manwaring, of Middlewich, who married Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich, was the daughter of Charles Manwaring, of Middlewich, and his wife, Elizabeth Carter, of Croxton.

The third proposal

By implementing the second proposal (above), Ralph Manwaring, of Middlewich, would be positioned in the fourth generation of Manwarings of Middlewich. Assuming that the sources relied upon for the compiling of this research were correct, and that all descendants of Hugh Manwaring are accounted for within the first three generations, only a single candidate exists in consideration as the father of Ralph Manwaring – Hugh Manwaring, son of Thomas Manwaring and his wife, Anne Stanley.

Considering the foregoing observation, the following theory is proposed to the genealogical community—

Ralph Manwaring, the grandfather of Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, was the son of Hugh Manwaring, son of Thomas Manwaring and his wife, Anne Stanley.

Chapter V. Summary and Conclusion

This book began by offering a brief summary and well-documented facts regarding the presence and life of Stephen Manwaring following his arrival in the American colonies. Focusing on his estimated year and place of birth, record of a single individual by the name of Stephen Manwaring was located, satisfying the search parameters, born in Middlewich, Cheshire, England, only three years prior to the given estimate.

Relying upon abstracts of records preserved in the Parish Registers and Bishop's Transcripts, for Middlewich, three generations of Stephen Manwaring, of Middlewich, were genealogically reconstructed. Two of Stephen's siblings were identified, as well as their parents, and their paternal grandparents.

Published sources, deemed by the genealogy community to be among the most reliable sources for historical information on the Manwaring family, were relied upon in the construction of the lines of descent for the Manwarings of Croxton, which include the Manwarings of Middlewich. Additional attention to detail was applied towards the Manwarings of Middlewich, using historic records to determine dates of birth, christening, and burial, for members of the Middlewich branch of the family. Christening and burial dates were further used to approximate birth and death dates.

Finally, three proposals were introduced to the genealogical community for the expansion of the known ancestry of Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish. The first proposal is that this Stephen Manwaring, and the one christened on 07 Jan 1637, in Middlewich, were the same individual. The second proposal is that the step-mother of Stephen Manwaring's father, Elizabeth, was the daughter of Charles Manwaring, of Middlewich, and his wife, Elizabeth Carter, of Croxton. The third proposal is that Stephen Manwaring's paternal grandfather, Ralph Manwaring, was the son of Hugh Manwaring, son of Thomas Manwaring and his wife, Anne Stanley.

The arguments in support of all three of the given proposals are based solely on circumstantial evidence, supported by historical records. However, the absence of record for any other Stephen Manwaring born in England, about the time of birth estimated for Stephen Manwaring, of Sittenburne Parish, contributes significantly in further support of the circumstantial evidence to the proposals.

Until such time that records are discovered or produced with information contrary to the three proposals made, herein, this research concludes that those three proposals should be implemented. Genealogists are encouraged to conduct further research on all that was presented herein, in hopes of finding more substantive proof to either support or refute the proposals.

Appendices

Appendix A. Given names with variant spellings

Alice – Alys.

Anne – An; Ann.

Arthur – Arther.

Christopher – Christop.

Dorothy – Doretie; Dority.

Edmund – Edmond.

Edward – Ed.

Eleanor – Elenor; Elianor; Elinor;
Elinour; Ellynor; Elynor.

Elisha – Elytia.

Elizabeth – Elizabethe; Elliz.; Ellizabe;
Ellizabeth; Elyza; Elyzabeth; Elz..

Ellen – Ellin; Eline.

Emma – Emme.

Emmitt – Ermin; Ermitt; Ermyn; Ervin.

Geoffry – Geffery; Geffrey.

George – Gervas.

Henry – Henrey.

Hugh – Hughe.

Humphrey – Homfrey; Humfry.

Isabel – Isabell; Isabella.

Joan – Joane; Jone; Jonne.

John – Johannes.

Juliana – Jelyan.

Katherine – Catharine; Catherine;
Catheryne; Katharen; Katharine.

Kenelm – Kanehelme.

Lawrence – Laurence.

Margaret – Margaret; Margery; Margt;
Mary (when written as Margt).

Mary – Marie.

Millicent – Milicent.

Nicholas – Nicolas.

Peter – Petter; Piers.

Philip – Phillipe.

Ralph – Rafe; Raffe; Ralfe; Ralphe;
Raph; Raphe; Raufe.

Randle – Randall; Randell.

Randolph – Radulfus; Radulph;
Ranulphus; Rodolf; Rodulf; Rodulfi;
Rodulfus.

Ranulphus – see, Randolph.

Robert – Robart; Robertus; Robt.

Roland – Rowland.

Samuel – Samuell.

Silence – Scilence.

Stephen – Step; Stephan; Stephenus;
Stephⁿ; Stepⁿ; Steve.

Thomas – Tho.

Vernon – Varnon.

Warren – Warin; Waryn.

William – Wm.

Appendix B. Family names with variant spellings

Bellington – Billington.

Boughey – Boghey.

Bressie – Bressey.

Cholmondeley – Cholmleigh; Cholmley.

Darley – Derby.

Davenport – Dauenport.

Digby – Dygby.

Dokenfeld – Dokenfield; Dokensfeild;
Dukenfeld.

Fowelhurst – Fowlehurst.

Glasebroke – Glasebrook.

Hewitt – Hevyll; Hewett.

Honford – Handford; Hanford.

Hurleston – Hirleston.

Ketyll – Kettle.

Kevelioc – Kyveiiock.

Legh – Leigh.

Leycester – Leicester; Leister.

Lomax – Lomas; Lummas.

Manwaring – Mainwaring;
Mainwarring; Mainwayring;

Maisnilwarin; Manering; Maneringe;
Manervin; Manerwing; Mannaring;
Mannaringe; Mannering;
Manneringe; Manning; Manniring;
Mannoringe; Manring; Manrnering;
Manvering; Manwairing; Manwarded;
Manwaren; Manwarg; Manwaringe;
Manwarren; Manwarring;
Manwering; Masnilwaren;
Masnilwaring; Maynering;
Mayneringe; Maynwaring;
Maynwaringe; Maynwaryng;
Maynwarynge; Meidnilwar; Meidnil
War; Meidnilwar; Meingarin;
Meinilwarin; Meinwaren;
Meinwarin; Meisnilwaren;
Menilwarin; Mensilwaren;
Menwaryn; Mesnil Garin; Mesnil
Waren; Mesnil Warin; Mesnilgarin;
Mesnilwaren; Mesnilwarin;
Meynwareing.

Maxfield – Macclesfeld.

Poole – Pole.

Smethwicke – Smethwick.

Smith – Smithe.

Tytley – Titley.

Waren – Warrenne.

Wynnington – Winnington.

Appendix C. Place names with variant spellings

Alloftock – Allostock.

Ashton – Ashton-super-Mersey.

Bickerstaffe – Bickerstaff.

Carincham – Kellingham; Kellingham.

Caveley – Calueley; Calveley; Calverley.

Chedill – Chidle.

Cholmondeley – Cholmleigh; Cholmley.

Danham – Davenham.

Gayton – Gleyton.

Gowesworth - Gawseworth;
Gosworthe.

Houghe – Hough.

Houlme – Holm.

Ightfield – Ightfeild.

Macclesfield – Macclesfeld.

Marton – Martin-sands; Merton Grange.

Nantwich – Nampwich; Wichmalbanke.

Peover – Over Peover; Peuer; Pever.

Poynton – Pointon.

Radborne – Bradborn.

Smethwicke – Smethwick.

Stoke – Stokedry.

Tiverton – Terton; Teverton.

Toft – Tofte.

Tytley – Titley.

Waren – Warrena.

Whitmore – Wigmore.

Wilmslow – Winslow.

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